(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the incidents of bomb blasts in two cinema halls of Delhi and once cinema hall of Ludhiana city of Punjab recently are connected with this terrorist action;

(c) if so, whether any action-plan has been prepared to check it; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) Inputs regarding the activities of pro-Khalistani elements based outside the country are received from time to time and appropriate action is taken by the intelligence and security agencies wherever required.

People, police personnel killed in naxalites attacks

†939. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:
SHRI BHAGWATI SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during some of the last days there has been an increase in the number of naxalite attacks in naxalite affected areas and a large number of police and general public have been killed during these attacks;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that all the efforts so far made by Government for the solution of naxalite problem have proved to be insufficient;

(c) if so, whether Government is considering to take some steps for the eradication of naxalite outfits; and

(d) the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) As per information available, in 2007, till 31-10-2007, there have been 1285 incidents and 571 casualties in security personnel and civilians, as against 1285 incidents and 610 casualties in the corresponding period of 2006.

The concerned State Governments undertake necessary action in respect of naxalite activities. The Central Government supplements their efforts and resources by various measures, which include deployment of Central paramilitary forces to assist the State police forces, sanctioning of India Reserve battalions to the States, assistance for strengthening of the State police and intelligence agencies, reimbursement of security-related expenditure, assistance in training of State police forces, sharing of intelligence, bringing about inter-State coordination and assistance in development works.

The Central Government maintains close and continuous watch on the situation, including detailed consultations with the State Government authorities about various developments and the steps required to check and control naxalite activities.

Taking steps as appropriate and necessary, having regard to the situation obtaining, is a continuous process.

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